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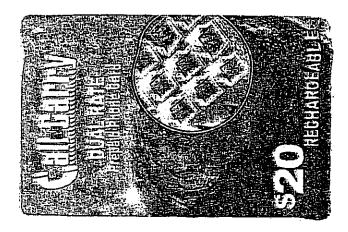
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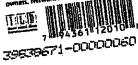


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2003 FCC Form 499-A Telecommunications Reporting Worksheet Approval by OMB >>> Please read instructions before completing. <<< 3060-0855 Annual Filing - due April 1. Block 1: Contributor identification information During the year, carriers must refile Blocks 1, 2 and 6 if there are any changes in Lines 104 or 112. See Instructions. 101 Filer 499 ID [If you don't know your number, contact the administrator at (973)-560-4460. If you are a new filer, leave blank and a Filer 499 ID will be assigned to you.] 102 Legal name of reporting entity 103 IRS employer identification number 104 Name telecommunications service provider is doing business as 105 Principal communications business [Check the one that best describes the reporting entity -- see directions. Check one box only.] CAPICLEC Cellular/PCS/SMR (wireless telephony incl. by resale) Incumbent LEC ☐ Interexchange Carrier (IXC) Local Reseller Operator Service Provider (OSP) Paging & Messaging Payphone Service Provider Prepaid Card Private Service Provider Satellite Service Provider Shared-Tenant Service Provider / Building LEC SMR (dispatch) Toll Reseller ☐ Wireless Data If Other Local, Other Mobile or Other Toll is checked. Other Local Other Mobile Other Toll describe carrier type / services provided: 106 Holding company (All affiliated companies must show the same name on this line.) 107 FCC Registration Number (FRN) [https://svartifoss2.fcc.gov/cores/CoresHome.html] [For assistance, contact the CORES help desk at 877-480-3201 or CORES@fcc.gov] 108 Management company [if carrier is managed by another entity] 109 Complete mailing address of reporting entity corporate headquarters 110 Complete business address for customer inquiries and complaints [if different from address entered on Line 109] 111 Telephone number for customer complaints and inquiries [Toll-free number if available] 112 All trade names that you have used in the past 3 years in providing telecommunications.

Use an additional sheet if necessary. Each reporting entity must provide all names used for carrier activities.

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201 Filer 499 ID [from Line 101]	
202 Legal name of reporting entity [from Line 102]	
203 Person who completed this worksheet	
204 Telephone number of this person	()-
205 Fax number of this person	
206 E-mail of this person	
207 Corporate office, attn. name, and mailing address to which future Telecommunications Reporting Worksheets should be sent	
208 Billing address and billing contact person: [Plan administrators will send bills for contributions to this address. Please attach a written request for alternative billing arrangements.]	
Block 2-B: Agent for Service of Process	All carriers must complete Lines 209 through 213. During the year, carriers must refile Blocks 1, 2 and 6 if there are any changes in this section. See Instructions.
209 D.C. Agent for Service of Process per 47 U.S.C. 413	
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211 Fax number of D.C. agent	()-
212 E-mail of D.C. agent	
213 Complete business address of D.C. agent for hand service of documents	
214 Local/alternate Agent for Service of Process (optional)	
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217 E-mail of local/alternate agent	
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301 Filer 499 ID [from Line 101]					
302 Legal name of reporting entity [from Line 102]	- · · ·				
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and other local exchange service including subscriber line and PICC charges to IXCs					
a Provided as unbundled network elements (UNEs)					
b Provided under other arrangements					
304 Per-minute charges for originating or terminating calls		·	 		
a Provided under state or federal access tariff		1			
b Provided as unbundled network elements or other contract arrangement					
305 Local private line & special access service					
306 Payphone compensation from toll carriers				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
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310 Operator and toll calls with alternative billing arrangements (credit card, collect, international call-back, etc.)					
311 Ordinary long distance (direct-dialed MTS, customer toll-free 800/888 service, "10-10" calls, associated monthly account maintenance, PICC pass-through, and other switched services not reported above)					
312 Long distance private line services			†		
313 Satellite services		- 	 		
314 All other long distance services			 		

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	tariffed subscriber line charges and PICC charges	[ĺ	Í '	1	
405	PICC charges levied by a local exchange carrier on a no-PIC	 	<u> </u>	 		
	customer and Tariffed subscriber line charges			[
406	Local private line and special access service		† —	 		
407	Payphone coin revenues (local and long distance)					
408	Other local telecommunications service revenues	 	 	 		
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410	Message charges including roaming, but excluding toll charges					
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411	Prepaid calling card (including card sales to customers		The same of the sa			
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413	Operator and toll calls with alternative billing arrangements (credit	1	1]		
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717	service, "10-10" calls, associated monthly account maintenance, PICC			!		
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415	Long distance private line services					
416	Satellite services					
417	All other long distance services					
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419	Gross billed revenues from all sources [incl. reseller & non-telecom.) [Lines 303 through 314 plus Lines 403 through 418]	1	4.4			
420	Universal service contribution bases [Lines 403 through 411					
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506	Mid-Atlantic: Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and % West Virginia				%
507	Mid-West: Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, and Wisconsin %				%
508	Northeast:	Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Y	ork, Rhode Island, and Vermont	%	%
509	Southwest:	Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, and Texas		%	%
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Telecommunications Reporting Worksheet, FCC Form 499-A

Instructions for Completing the
Worksheet for Filing Contributions
to Telecommunications Relay Service,
Universal Service, Number Administration,
and Local Number Portability Support Mechanisms

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Section 52.17 of the Federal Communications Commission's rules provides that all NOTICE: telecommunications carriers in the United States shall contribute on a competitively neutral basis to meet the costs of establishing numbering administration, and directs that contributions shall be calculated and paid in accordance with this Telecommunications Reporting Worksheet (FCC Form 499-A). 47 C.F.R. § 52.17. Section 52.32 provides that the local number portability administrators shall recover the shared costs of long-term number portability from all telecommunications carriers. 47 C.F.R. § 52,32. Sections 54,706, 54.711, and 54.713 require all telecommunications carriers providing interstate telecommunications services, providers of interstate telecommunications that offer interstate telecommunications for a fee on a non-common carrier basis, and payphone providers that are aggregators to contribute to universal service and file this Worksheet once a year and the Telecommunications Reporting Worksheet (FCC Form 499-O) four times a year. 47 C.F.R. §§ 54.706, 54.711, 54.713. Section 64.604 requires that every common carrier providing interstate telecommunications services contribute to the Telecommunications Relay Services (TRS) Fund on the basis of its relative share of interstate end-user telecommunications revenues, with the calculation based on information provided in this Worksheet. 47 C.F.R. § 64.604(c)(5)(iii)(B). Section 64.1195 requires all telecommunications carriers to register using the FCC Form 499-A. 47 C.F.R. § 64.1195(a).

This collection of information stems from the Commission's authority under Sections 225, 251, 254, and 258 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (Communications Act or Act), 47 U.S.C. §§ 225, 251, 254, and 258. The data in the Worksheet will be used to calculate contributions to the universal service support mechanisms, the telecommunications relay services support mechanism, the cost recovery mechanism for numbering administration, and the cost recovery mechanism for shared costs of long-term number portability. Selected information provided in the Worksheet will be made available to the public in a manner consistent with the Commission's rules.

We have estimated that each response to this collection of information will take, on average, 11.5 hours. Our estimate includes the time to read the instructions, look through existing records, gather and maintain the required data, and actually complete and review the form or response. If you have any comments on this estimate, or how we can improve the collection and reduce the burden it causes you, please write the Federal Communications Commission, AMD-PERM, Washington, D.C. 20554, Paperwork Reduction Project (3060-0855). We also will accept your comments via the Internet if you send them to jbherman@fcc.gov. Please DO NOT SEND COMPLETED WORKSHEETS TO THIS ADDRESS.

Remember -- You are not required to respond to a collection of information sponsored by the Federal government, and the government may not conduct or sponsor this collection, unless it displays a currently

valid Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number. This collection has been assigned an OMB control number of 3060-0855.

The Commission is authorized under the Communications Act to collect the information we request on this form. We will use the information that you provide to determine contribution amounts. If we believe there may be a violation or potential violation of a statute or a Commission regulation, rule, or order, your Worksheet may be referred to the Federal, state, or local agency responsible for investigating, prosecuting, enforcing, or implementing the statute, rule, regulation, or order. In certain cases, the information in your Worksheet may be disclosed to the Department of Justice, court, or other adjudicative body when (a) the Commission; or (b) any employee of the Commission; or (c) the United States government, is a party to a proceeding before the body or has an interest in the proceeding.

With the exception of your employer identification number, if you do not provide the information we request on the Worksheet, the Commission may consider you in violation of sections 1.47, 52.17, 52.32, 54.713, 64.604, and 64.1195 of the Commission's rules. 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.47, 52.17, 52.32, 54.713, 64.604, and 64.1195.

The foregoing Notice is required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, P.L. No. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. § 3501, et seq.

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I. Introduction

As required under the Communications Act, the Commission has established, in a series of separate proceedings, procedures to finance interstate telecommunications relay services (TRS), universal service support mechanisms, administration of the North American Numbering Plan (NANPA), and shared costs of local number portability (LNPA). To accomplish these Congressionally-directed objectives, contributions are collected from all telecommunications carriers providing interstate telecommunications and certain other providers of telecommunications. On July 14, 1999, the Commission amended its rules so that contributors to these mechanisms need only file one Telecommunications Reporting Worksheet for the purpose of determining their contribution(s). This Worksheet sets forth the information that the filer must submit, so that the administrators of these mechanisms may calculate and assess contributions.

⁴⁷ U.S.C. §§ 151, 225, 251, 254.

On March 9, 2001, the Commission modified its rules to base universal service contributions on information reported on quarterly Telecommunications Reporting Worksheet filings, with an annual true-up based on information reported on annual Telecommunications Reporting Worksheets. Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, Petition for Reconsideration filed by AT&T, CC Docket No. 96-45, Report and Order and Order on Reconsideration, 16 FCC Rcd 5748 (2001) (Quarterly Reporting Order). See also 1998 Biennial Regulatory Review -- Streamlined Contributor Reporting Requirements Associated with Administration of Telecommunications Relay Services, North American Numbering Plan, Local Number Portability, and Universal Service Support Mechanisms, CC Docket 98-171, Report and Order, 14 FCC Rcd 16602 (1999) (Consolidated Reporting Order).

In addition, common carriers use data filed on the Form 499-A to calculate their Common Carrier regulatory fees. See Assessment and Collection of Regulatory Fees for Fiscal Year 2000, MD Docket No. 00-58, Report and Order, 15 FCC Red 14478, 14490 ¶ 28 (2000). Section 6003(a) of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993 (Public Law 103-66) added Section 9(a) to the Communications Act, which authorizes the Commission to collect annual regulatory fees to recover the annual costs of its enforcement, policy and rulemaking, user information, and international activities. 47 U.S.C. § 159(a), (b)(1)(A), and (g).

While some entities that file the Telecommunications Reporting Worksheet may not need to contribute to each of the support and cost recovery mechanisms, in general, all telecommunications carriers and certain additional telecommunications providers must complete and file this Worksheet ⁴ These instructions contain an explanation of which carriers must contribute to particular mechanisms (see Section IV.A.), but filers should consult the specific rules that govern contributions for each of the mechanisms.⁵ In general, contributions are calculated based on contributors' end-user telecommunications revenue information, as filed in this Worksheet.

By filing this Worksheet, carriers may also satisfy their obligations under section 413 of the Act to designate an agent in the District of Columbia for service of process⁶ and their obligations to register with the Federal Communications Commission.⁷

II. Filing Requirements and General Instructions

A. Who Must File

All intrastate, interstate and international providers of telecommunications within the United States, with very limited exceptions, must file the FCC Form 499-A Telecommunications Reporting Worksheet. 9

For purposes of determining whether an entity provides telecommunications, please note that the term "telecommunications" means the transmission, between or among points specified by the user, of information of the user's choosing, without change in the form or content of the information as sent and received. For the purpose of filing, the term "interstate telecommunications" includes, but is not limited to, the following types of services: wireless telephony, including cellular and personal communications services (PCS); paging and messaging services; dispatch services; mobile radio services; operator services; access to interexchange service; special access; wide area telecommunications services (WATS); subscriber toll-free services; 900 services; message telephone services (MTS); private line; telex; telegraph; video services; satellite services and resale services. Note, for example, that all incumbent and competitive local exchange carriers provide access services and, therefore, provide interstate telecommunications.

Please note that this Worksheet refers to "filers," "reporting entities," and "contributors" interchangeably, except where specifically distinguished.

See 47 C.F.R. §§ 52.17 (numbering administration), 52.32 (local number portability), 54.703 (universal service), and 64.604 (TRS).

^{6 47} U.S.C. § 413. See also 47 C.F.R. § 1.47.

⁷ 47 C.F.R. § 64.1195.

For this purpose, the United States is defined as the contiguous United States, Alaska, Hawaii, American Samoa, Baker Island, Guam, Howland Island, Jarvis Island, Johnston Atoll, Kingman Reef, Midway Island, Navassa Island, the Northern Mariana Islands, Palmyra, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and Wake Island.

Section 254(d) applies not only to "every telecommunications carrier that provides interstate telecommunications services" but also to certain "other provider[s] of interstate telecommunications." 47 U.S.C. § 254(d) (emphasis added). Solely for the purposes of these Instructions, we use the terms "telecommunications services" and "telecommunications" interchangeably, unless otherwise specified. For more information on these terms, see 47 U.S.C. §§ 153(43), (46); Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, CC Docket No. 96-45, Report and Order, 12 FCC Rcd 8776 (1997) (Universal Service Order).

Note also that entities must file this Worksheet, and are subject to the universal service contribution requirement, if they offer interstate telecommunications for a fee to the public even if only a narrow or limited class of users could utilize the services. Included are entities that provide interstate telecommunications to entities other than themselves for a fee on a private, contractual basis. In addition, owners of pay telephones, sometimes referred to as "pay telephone aggregators," must file this Worksheet Most telecommunications carriers must file this Worksheet even if they qualify for the de minimis exemption under the Commission's rules for universal service.¹⁰

The following three sections list types of (non-common carrier) telecommunications providers that are not required to file FCC Form 499-A. Note that some carriers and telecommunications providers are required to file this Worksheet, but may not be required to contribute to all support mechanisms. For example, some carriers may be exempt from contributing to the universal service support mechanisms (e.g., because they are de minimis), but nevertheless must file because they are required to contribute to TRS, NANPA, or LNPA.

1. <u>Universal service exemption for de minimis telecommunications providers</u>

Section 54.708 of the Commission's rules states that telecommunications carriers and telecommunications providers are not required to contribute to the universal service support mechanisms for a given year if their contribution for that year is less than \$10,000. Thus, providers that offer telecommunications for a fee exclusively on a non-common carrier basis need not file this Worksheet if their contribution to the universal service support mechanisms would be *de minimis* under the universal service rules. Note: Entities that provide solely private line service may nevertheless be considered common carriers if they offer their services directly to the public or to such classes of users as to be effectively available directly to the public. In contrast, telecommunications carriers that meet the *de minimis* standard must file this Worksheet (because they must contribute to other support and cost recovery mechanisms), but need not contribute to the universal service mechanisms. (See Figure 3 "Which telecommunications providers must contribute for which purposes" at page 26, below.)

Non-telecommunications carriers should complete the table contained in Figure 1 to determine whether they meet the *de minimis* standard. To complete Figure 1, potential filers must first complete Block 4 of the Telecommunications Reporting Worksheet and enter the amounts from Line 420(d) and 420(e) in Figure 1. Telecommunications providers whose estimated contributions to universal service support mechanisms would be less than \$10,000 are considered *de minimis* for universal service contribution purposes and will not be required to contribute directly to universal service support mechanisms. Use Figure 1 to calculate estimated universal service contributions for the period January 2002 through December 2002.

Telecommunications providers that do not file this Worksheet because they are *de minimis* for purposes of universal service contributions (and need not file for any other purpose) should retain Figure 1 and documentation of their contribution base revenues for 3 calendar years after the date each Worksheet is due.

¹⁰ See 47 C.F.R. § 54.708.

¹¹ *Id*.

Figure 1: Table to determine if a filer meets the de minimis standard for purposes of universal service contribution

1	Interstate contribution base for filer (amount reportable on filer's Form 499-A; Line 420(d))	\$
2	International contribution base for filer (amount reportable on filer's Form 499-A; Line 420(e))	\$
3	Interstate contribution base for all affiliates* (total of amounts reportable on Form 499-A; Line 420(d) for all affiliates of the filer)	\$
4	International contribution base for all affiliates (total of amounts reportable on Form 499-A; Line 420(e) for all affiliates of the filer)	\$
5	Consolidated interstate contribution base: Line (1) + Line (3)	\$
6	Consolidated international contribution base: Line (2) + Line (4)	\$
7	Total potential contribution base for filer and its affiliates: Line (5) + Line (6)	\$
8	Combined interstate contribution base as a percentage of total potential contribution base: Line (5) / Line (7)	%
9	Interstate contribution base for filer from Line (1)	\$
10	If the amount on line (8) is equal to or greater than 12%, enter into Line (10) the international contribution base for the filer from Line (2). If the amount on Line (8) is less than 12%, enter \$0	\$
11	Contribution base for the filer for determining contributions to universal service support mechanisms: Line (9) + Line (10)	\$
12	Estimation factor for determining whether to file a Form 499-A on April 1, 2003	0.095**
13	Estimated annual contribution: amount on line (11) multiplied by Line (12)	\$

- * Unless otherwise specifically provided, an affiliate is a "person that (directly or indirectly) owns or controls, is owned or controlled by, or is under common ownership or control with, another person." See 47 U.S.C. § 153(1).
- ** The estimation factor may be higher than the contribution factor announced for certain quarters in 2003. Actual contribution factors for 2003 may increase or decrease depending on quarterly changes in program costs and the contribution base. Filers whose actual contribution requirements total less than \$10,000 for the calendar year will be treated as *de minimis* and will receive refunds, if necessary. Filers whose actual contribution requirements total \$10,000 or more are required to contribute to the universal service support mechanisms. Note that telecommunications carriers must file this Worksheet regardless of whether they qualify for the *de minimis* exemption unless they qualify for one of the exemptions detailed in Sections II-A-2 or II-A-3, below.

2. Exception for government, broadcasters, schools and libraries

Certain entities are explicitly exempted from contributing directly to the universal service support mechanisms and need not file this Worksheet. Government entities that purchase telecommunications services in bulk on behalf of themselves (e.g., state networks for schools and libraries) are not required to file or contribute directly to universal service. Public safety and local governmental entities licensed under Subpart B of Part 90 of the Commission's rules are not required to file or contribute directly to universal service. Similarly, if an entity provides interstate telecommunications exclusively to public safety or government entities and does not offer services to others, that entity is not required to file or contribute directly to universal service. In addition, broadcasters, non-profit schools, non-profit libraries, non-profit colleges, non-profit universities, and non-profit health care providers are not required to file the Worksheet or contribute directly to universal service.

3. Exception for systems integrators and self providers

Systems integrators that derive less than five percent of their systems integration revenues from the resale of telecommunications are not required to file or contribute directly to universal service. Systems integrators are providers of integrated packages of services and products that may include the provision of computer capabilities, interstate telecommunications services, remote data processing services, back-office data processing, management of customer relationships with underlying carriers and vendors, provision of telecommunications and computer equipment, equipment maintenance, help desk functions, and other services and products. Entities that provide services only to themselves or to commonly-owned affiliates need not file.

B. Filing by Legal Entity

Each legal entity that provides interstate telecommunications service for a fee, including each affiliate or subsidiary of an entity, must complete separately and file a copy of the attached Telecommunications Reporting Worksheet, except as provided for below. Entities that have distinct articles of incorporation or articles of formation are separate legal entities. Each affiliate or subsidiary should identify their ultimate controlling parent or entity on Block 1 Line (106) -- Holding Company.

Consolidated filing will be permitted only if the filing entity certifies that all of the following conditions are met:12

- (1) A single entity oversees the management of the affiliated systems;
- (2) A single entity sends bills to customers and these bills identify a single entity (or trade name) as the service provider, rather than identifying the individual legal entities;
- (3) All revenues are posted to a single general ledger;
- (4) To the extent that separate revenue and expense accounts exist, they are derived from one consolidated set of books and the consolidated filing must cover all revenues contained in the consolidated books;
- (5) Customers have a single point of contact;
- (6) The consolidated filer acknowledges that process served on the consolidated filer would represent process served on any or all of the affiliated legal entities;
- (7) The consolidated filer agrees to document and resolve all slamming complaints that might be

Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, 1998 Biennial Regulatory Review - Streamlined Contributor Reporting Requirements Associated with Administration of Telecommunications Relay Service, North American Numbering Plan, Local Number Portability, and Universal Service Support Mechanisms, Telecommunications Services for Individuals with Hearing and Speech Disabilities, and the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990, Administration of the North American Numbering Plan and North American Numbering Plan Cost Recovery Contribution Factor and Fund Size, Number Resource Optimization, Telephone Number Portability, Truth-in-Billing and Billing Format, CC Docket Nos. 96-45, 98-171, 90-571, 92-237, 99-200, 95-116, 98-170, Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking and Report and Order, 17 FCC Rcd 3752 (2002) (First Further Notice).

served on either the filing entity or any of the affiliated legal entities;13

- (8) The consolidated filer obtains a separate FCC Registration Number (FRN) from those assigned to its affiliated legal entities;
- (9) The consolidated filer acknowledges that its obligations with regard to universal service, Telecommunications Relay Services, Local Number Portability, the North American Numbering Plan, and regulatory fees will be based on the data provided in consolidated Worksheet filings, that it bears the responsibility to satisfy those obligations, and that all legal entities covered by the filing are jointly and severally liable for such obligations; and
- (10) The consolidated filer acknowledges that it: (A) was not insolvent on the date it undertook to make payments on a consolidated basis or on the date of actual payments to universal service, Telecommunications Relay Services, Local Number Portability, the North American Numbering Plan, and regulatory fees, and did not become insolvent as a result of such undertaking or payments; (B) was not left with unreasonably small capital as a result of such undertaking or payments; and (C) was not left unable to pay debts as they matured as a result of such undertaking or payments.¹⁴

Each year, entities choosing to file on a consolidated basis must file a statement certifying that they meet all of the above conditions. Such certification also must include: (1) a list of the legal names of all legal entities that are covered by the filing; (2) the Form 499 identification numbers of all legal entities that are covered by the filing; (3) the consolidated filer's FRN; and (4) for wireless carriers, a list of all radio licenses (call signs) issued to each legal entity covered by the filing. Consolidated filers should file this certification with the Commission's Data Collection Agent. Furthermore, a contributor choosing to file on a consolidated basis should recognize that any penalties associated with failure to pay or with underpayment of any of its obligations will be assessed on the total revenue reported on the consolidated basis, rather than on a separate legal entity basis.

A CMRS carrier that is not subject to certain slamming regulations is not required to certify that it will document and resolve all slamming complaints that might be served on either the filing entity or any of its affiliated legal entities that also are not subject to the slamming regulations.

For purposes of this ærtification, the term "insolvent" means either unable to pay debts when due or having liabilities greater than assets. See 11 U.S.C. § 101(32).

C. When and Where to File

Figure 2 provides the filing schedule and relevant filing addresses. If a filing date is a holiday (as defined in Section 1.4(e)(1) of the Commission's rules), Worksheets are due the next business day.

Figure 2: Filing schedule

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When to file	What to file	Where to file *		
April 1	Annual Completed FCC Form 499-A	Form 499 Data Collection Agent c/o NECA Attn: Christy Doleshal 80 South Jefferson Rd. Whippany, NJ 07981		
February 1 May 1 August 1	Completed FCC Form 499-Q (universal service contributors only)	Form 499 Data Collection Agent (address above)		
November 1				
New telecommunications carriers and filers with changed registration information	Completed Pages 1, 2, 3 and 7 of Form 499-A	Form 499 Data Collection Agent (address above)**		
Telecommunications carriers within one week of a change in information concerning their designated agent for service of process	Completed Page 1, Block 2-B and Page 7 of FCC Form 499-A	One Copy to: Chief, Market Disputes Resolution Division, Enforcement Bureau Room 5-A865 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554		
Telecommunications carriers within one week of a change in other registration information	Appropriate revised Blocks and completed Page 7 of FCC Form 499-A	Form 499 Data Collection Agent (address above) **		

* Do not send universal service, TRS, NANPA or LNPA contributions with this Worksheet or to any of these addresses. The appropriate administrators will calculate the amount of contribution due and send a bill to the billing contact person and billing address identified on line 208 of the FCC Form 499-A.

** Filers may instead, send new carrier filings and corrected filings to the Office of the Secretary, Reference Information Center, Room CY-A257, 445 12th Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20554. Annual and quarterly filings should not be sent to this address.

If you have questions about the Worksheet or the instructions, you may contact:

Form 499 Telecommunications Reporting
Worksheet Information
Wireline Competition Bureau
Industry Analysis and Technology Division
TTY
Form 499@neca.org
(973) 560-4460
(202) 418-0940
(202) 418-0484

If you have questions regarding contribution amounts, billing procedures or the support and cost recovery mechanisms, you may contact:

Universal Service Administration	(202) 776-0200
TRS Administration	(973) 884-8173
NANPA Billing and Collection Agent	(973) 884-8173
Local Number Portability Administrators	(877) 245-5277

D. Rounding of Numbers and Negative Numbers

All information provided in the Worksheet should be neatly printed in ink or typed. Please provide an original officer signature in ink on Line 605.

<u>Dollar Amounts</u>. Reported revenues in Blocks 3, 4 and 5 that are greater than a thousand dollars may be rounded to the nearest thousand dollars. Regardless of rounding, **all dollar amounts must be reported in whole dollars**. For example, \$2,271,881.93 could be reported as \$2,271,882 or as \$2,272,000, but could not be reported as \$2272 thousand, \$2,270,000.00, \$2,271,881.93, or \$2.272 million. Please enter \$0 in any line for which the filer had no revenues for the year.

<u>Percentages</u>. Percentages reported in Block 3 and Block 4, columns (b) and (c), should be rounded to the nearest whole percent. For example, if the exact amount of interstate revenues for a line is not known, but the filer estimates that the ratio of interstate to total revenues was .425, then the figure 43% should be reported and used for calculating the amount reported in column (b).

<u>Negative Numbers</u>. Carriers are directed to provide billed revenues without subtracting any expenses, allowances for uncollectibles or settlement payments and without making out-of-period adjustments. Therefore, do not enter negative numbers on the Worksheet

E. Obligation to File Revisions

Line (609) provides check boxes to show whether the Worksheet is the original April 1 filing for the year, a registration form for a new filer, a revised filing with updated registration information, or a revised filing with updated revenue data for the year. Filers must submit a revised Form 499-A if there is a change in any of the following types of information: Contributor identification contained in Block 1; regulatory contact information contained in Block 2-A; agent for service of process in Block 2-B; or FCC registration information in Block 2-C.

A filer must submit a revised Worksheet if it discovers an error in the revenue data that it reports. Companies generally close their books for financial purposes by the end of March. Accordingly, for such telecommunications providers, the April 1 filing should be based on closed books. Filers should not include (carry back or bring forward) routine out-of-period adjustments to revenue data unless such adjustments would affect a reported amount by more than ten percent. To file revised revenue data, filers must complete Block 3, Block 4, Block 5, and Block 6.

Filers should not file revised revenue information to reflect mergers, acquisitions, or sales of operating units. In the event that a filer that submitted a Form 499-A no longer exists, the successor company to the contributor's assets or operations is responsible for continuing to make payments, if any, for the funding period and must notify the Form 499 Data Collection Agent.

Filers should submit revised Form 499-A revenue data by December 1 of the same filing year. Revisions filed after that must be accompanied by an explanation of the cause for the change along with complete documentation showing how the revised figures derive from corporate financial records.

F. Compliance

Failure to file the Telecommunications Reporting Worksheet or to pay contributions in a timely fashion may subject entities to the enforcement provisions of the Communications Act and any other applicable law. In addition, entities may be billed by the administrators for reasonable costs, including interest and administrative costs that are caused by late, inaccurate, or untruthful filing of the Worksheet or overdue contributions.¹⁵

III. Specific Instructions

A. Block 1: Filer Identification Information

Block 1 of the Telecommunications Reporting Worksheet requires identification information.

Line (101) -- enter the "Filer 499 ID" number for the filing entity. This code is assigned by the Commission's Data Collection Agent after a company files its first FCC Form 499. Filer 499 IDs for current filers can be found at http://gullfoss2.fcc.gov/cib/form499/499a.cfm or in the FCC report *Telecommunications Provider Locator*, which is available on the Commission's web site at http://www.fcc.gov/wcb/iatd/stats.html. This code should be entered at the top of each page on the paper version of the Worksheet, the cover letter, and on supporting documentation, if any. First time filers should write "New" in this block. The Data Collection Agent will assign a Filer 499 ID number after it receives a completed Form 499-A Telecommunications Reporting Worksheet.

Line (102) -- enter the legal name of the reporting entity as it appears on articles of incorporation or articles of formation and other legal documents. Each legal entity must file a separate Worksheet unless affiliated entities are filing on a consolidated basis.¹⁶

Line (103) -- provide the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) employer identification number (EIN) for the filer. This should be the same EIN that the company uses to file federal excise taxes or income taxes, if the company offers services subject to that tax. The EIN is also known as the taxpayer identification number (TIN) or for individuals as the social security number (SSN).

Line (104) -- provide the principal name under which the company conducts telecommunications activities. This would typically be the name that appears on customer bills, or the name used when service representatives answer customer inquiries.

Line (105) -- mark the box that best describes the principal telecommunications activity of the filer. Use the following categories (please choose only one):

CAP/CLEC (Competitive Access Provider/Competitive Local Exchange Carrier)

-- competes with incumbent LECs to provide local exchange services, or telecommunications services that link customers with interexchange

facilities, local exchange networks, or other customers.

Cellular/PCS/SMR (Cellular, Personal Communications Service, and (wireless telephony) Specialized Mobile Radio - telephone service provider)

-- primarily provides wireless telecommunications services (wireless telephony). This category includes all providers of real-time two-way

See 47 C.F.R. § 54.713 (universal service); 47 C.F.R. § 64.604(c)(5)(iii)(B) (TRS). See also 47 C.F.R. § 52.17(b) (NANPA); 47 C.F.R. § 52.32(c) (LNPA).

See Section II-B, page 7, for information on making consolidated filings.

switched voice services that inteconnect with the public switched network, including providers of prepaid phones and public coast stations interconnected with the public switched network. This category includes the provision of wireless telephony by resale. An SMR provider would select this category if it primarily provides wireless telephony rather than dispatch or other mobile services.

Incumbent LEC

-- provides local exchange service. An incumbent local exchange carrier (LEC) generally is a carrier that was at one time franchised as a monopoly service provider. See 47 U.S.C. § 251(h).

Interexchange Carrier (IXC)

-- provides long distance telecommunications services substantially through switches or circuits that it owns or leases.

Local Reseller

-- provides local exchange or fixed telecommunications services by reselling services of other carriers.

Operator Service Provider (OSP)

-- serves customers needing the assistance of an operator to complete calls, or needing alternate billing arrangements such as collect calling.

Paging and Messaging

-- provides wireless paging or wireless messaging services. This category includes the provision of paging and messaging services by resale.

Payphone Service Provider

-- provides customers access to telephone networks through payphone equipment, special teleconference rooms, etc. Payphone service providers also are referred to as payphone aggregators.

Prepaid Card

-- provides prepaid calling card services by selling prepaid calling cards to the public or to retailers. Prepaid card providers typically resell the toll service of other carriers and determine the price of the service by setting the price of the card and controlling the number of minutes that the card can be used for.

Private Service Provider

-- offers telecommunications to others for a fee on a non-common carrier basis. This would include a company that offers excess capacity on a private system that it uses primarily for internal purposes. This category does not include SMR operators.

Satellite Service Provider

-- provides satellite space segment or earth stations that are used for telecommunications service.

Shared-Tenant Service Provider / Building LEC

-- manages or owns a multi-tenant location that provides telecommunications services or facilities to the tenants for a fee.

SMR (dispatch)

(Specialized Mobile Radio Service Provider)

-- primarily provides dispatch services and mobile services other than wireless telephony. While dispatch services may include interconnection with the public switched network, this category does not include carriers

¹⁷ 47 C.F.R. § 80.451.

	that primarily offer wireless telephony. This category includes LTR dispatch or community repeater systems.
Toll Reseller	provides long distance telecommunications services primarily by reselling the long distance telecommunications services of other carriers.
Wireless Data	provides mobile or fixed wireless data services using wireless technology. This category includes the provision of wireless data services by resale.

The Worksheet also provides boxes for "Other Local," "Other Mobile," and "Other Toll." If one of these categories is checked, the filer should describe the nature of the service it provides under the check boxes.

Line (106) – use this block to provide a common identifier for all affiliated filers. Typically, this would be the name of the filer's holding company or controlling entity, if any. The common name used by all affiliates need not be a common carrier. All reporting affiliates or commonly controlled entities should have the identical name appearing on line (106). An affiliate is a "person that (directly or indirectly) owns or controls, is owned or controlled by, or is under common ownership or control with, another person." See 47 U.S.C. § 153(1).

Line (107) -- provide the FCC Registration Number (FRN). The FRN is a ten-digit number that includes a check-digit. The FRN is used to identify an entity within all Commission Licensing/Filing systems and Ramis (the Commission's Revenue Accounting Management Information System.) This number is assigned by CORES (the Commission Registration System) and can be obtained at https://gullfoss2.fcc.gov/cores/CoresHome.html. For assistance, contact the CORES help desk at (877) 480-3201 or by e-mail at CORES@fcc.gov.

Line (108) -- provide the name of the management company, if the filer is managed by an entity other than itself. If the reporting entity and one or more other telecommunications provider(s) are commonly managed, then each should show the same management company on Line (108). Filers need not be affiliated to have a common management company. The management company would typically be the point of contact for the administrators of the support mechanisms.

Line (109) -- enter the complete mailing address of the corporate headquarters of the reporting entity.

Line (110) -- provide a business address of the reporting entity that could be used either for customer inquiries or that parties could use to contact the carrier in order to resolve complaints. If this address is the same as the mailing address of the corporate headquarters on line (109), then enter "same" on this line.

Line (111) -- enter a telephone number that can be used to resolve customer complaints, for customer service or billing inquiries. Typically, this would be a customer toll-free number, such as an 800 or 888 number.

Line (112) -- provide all names that the reporting entity used in the past three years for providing telecommunications. The Worksheet provides space for additional names for carrier activities (other than that contained on Line (104)). Use an additional sheet if this space is not sufficient. Enter all names by which the filer would be known to customers, government bodies, creditors, the press, etc. This list must include the carrier's billing agents if those parties, rather than the carrier, are identified on customer bills. This list also should include names of predecessor companies that would have filed a universal service, TRS, NANP, local number portability or Telecommunications Reporting Worksheet in the prior year. In such cases, include the prior Filer 499 ID as part of the name. This information will be used by the administrators in instances where other information indicates that a non-filer might exist, and also to ensure that entities are not billed improperly for predecessor companies that no longer exist.

B. Block 2: Contact Information

Block 2-A: Regulatory Contact Information

Lines (201-202) -- copy the Filer 499 ID from Line (101) into Line (201). Copy the legal name of the reporting entity from Line (102) into Line (202).

Lines (203-206) -- enter the name, telephone number, fax number, and e-mail address of the person who filled out the Form 499. This should be a person who can provide clarifications or additional information, and, if necessary, who could serve as the first point of contact in the event that either the Commission or an administrator should choose to verify or audit information provided in the Telecommunications Reporting Worksheet.

Line (207) -- provide the contact person name, office name, and mailing address of a corporate office to which future Telecommunications Reporting Worksheets should be sent. The next Telecommunications Reporting Worksheet will be mailed to this address unless other arrangements are made. Failure to receive a Telecommunications Reporting Worksheet from an administrator or the FCC does not relieve the filer from its obligation to file in a timely fashion.

Line (208) -- provide a billing contact person name and address for administrators to send billing information for contributions to the mechanisms. Information on establishing electronic fund transfer and bills for universal service, TRS, NANPA or local number portability administration contributions will be sent to this address unless other arrangements are made via written request.

Block 2-B: Agent for Service of Process

Section 413 of the Act requires each carrier "to designate in writing an agent in the District of Columbia" upon whom all notices, process, orders, and decisions made by the Commission may be served on behalf of that carrier in any proceeding pending before the Commission. 18

Lines (209-218) -- The second part of Block 2 contains information on the filer's agents for service of process, including the agent located in the District of Columbia ("D.C. Agent"). All carriers must enter the name, business address, telephone or voicemail number, facsimile number, and, if available, Internet email address for their designated D.C. Agent. Note that service of any notice, process, orders, decisions, and requirements of the Commission may be made upon the reporting carrier by leaving a copy thereof with this designated agent during normal business hours at the agent's office or other usual place of residence. In addition to providing the required information on the carrier's D.C. Agent, the carrier may elect to provide a local or alternate agent for service of process located outside the District of Columbia. Reporting entities other than carriers need only report one agent for service of process, whether located inside the District of Columbia or otherwise.

Carriers must designate a *single* agent for service of process in the District of Columbia for all Commission business. Although FCC Form 499-A permits carriers to designate alternate or local agents for service of process, each designated agent for a particular carrier must accept service for all purposes relating to Commission business. A carrier may not limit a designated agent's ability to accept service on behalf of the carrier by subject matter, by jurisdiction, or by any other grounds. The Commission may assume that the local or alternate agent is the filer's preferred destination for all service of process.

⁴⁷ U.S.C. § 413. See also 47 C.F.R. § 1.47(h) (stating that every common carrier subject to the Act "shall designate an agent in the District of Columbia" for service of process).

Note: New carriers must identify an Agent for service of process within 30 days of providing service and all carriers must notify the FCC within one week if the contact information changes for their D.C. Agent. See Section II-C, above, for filing directions.

Block 2-C: FCC Registration Information

New telecommunications carriers must register with the Commission when they begin to provide service. Carriers must update registration information within one week of a material change. See Section II-C, above, for filing directions. Registration information includes information reported in Blocks 1, 2-A, 2-B, and 2-C of FCC Form 499-A.

Lines (219-227) -- The third part of Block 2 contains FCC registration information, as required of <u>all interstate</u> telecommunications carriers pursuant to section 64.1195 of the Commission's rules. 47 C.F.R. § 64.1195. As explained above, virtually all carriers filing the Form 499 are considered to be interstate carriers. Interstate telecommunications carriers must provide the names and business addresses of their Chief Executive Officer, Chairman, and President. If the reporting entity does not have one or more of these officers or if the same person occupies more than one position, then names should be supplied for the three most senior-level officers of the reporting entity. For purposes of this filing, an officer is an occupant of a position listed in the articles of incorporation or articles of formation. List only one name if the filing entity is a sole proprietorship. If the filing entity is a partnership, list the managing partner on Line (221). If the legal entity is owned by two partners, list the second partner on Line (223). If there are three or more partners, provide information for the managing partner and the two other partners with the greatest financial interest in the partnership.

Line (227) -- check those jurisdictions where the filing entity provided telecommunications service in the past 15 months, and any additional jurisdictions in which the filing entity expects to provide telecommunications service in the next 12 months. Identify jurisdictions where customers physically obtain service. For most switched services, identify jurisdictions where customers can originate calls. However, for services where the called party pays, also identify jurisdictions where calls terminate.¹⁹ For example, an operator service provider that handled inmate calls originating in New Jersey and terminating collect in New Jersey, New York, and Pennsylvania, would identify New Jersey, New York, and Pennsylvania as jurisdictions served.

C. Block 3 and Block 4: Filer Revenue Information

Lines (301-302; 401-402) -- copy the Filer 499 ID from Line (101) into Lines (301) and (401). Copy the legal name of the reporting entity from Line (102) into Lines (302) and (402).

Lines (303-314; 403-420) contain detailed revenue data.

1. <u>Separating revenue from other contributors to the federal universal service support mechanisms (Block 3) from end user and non-telecommunications revenue (Block 4) (carrier's carrier vs. end-user)</u>

In the Telecommunications Reporting Worksheet, filers must report revenues using two broad categories: (1) Revenues from other contributors to the federal universal service support mechanisms; and, (2) Revenues from all other sources. Taken together, these revenues should include all revenues billed to customers and should include all revenues on the reporting entities' books of account.

Both parties to a collect call are "consumers". 47 C.F.R § 64.708. See also 47 C.F.R § 64.710(b)(1).

For the purposes of this Worksheet, "Revenues from services provided for resale by other contributors to federal universal service support mechanisms" are revenues from services provided by underlying carriers to other entities that currently are contributors to universal service support mechanisms and that are resold in the form of telecommunications. Such revenues are referred to herein as "carrier's carrier revenues" or "revenues from resellers." Revenues from all other sources consist primarily of revenues from services provided to end users, referred to here as "end-user revenues." This latter category includes non-telecommunications revenues.

For the purpose of completing Block 3, a "reseller" is a telecommunications carrier or telecommunications provider that: 1) incorporates purchased telecommunications services into its own telecommunications offerings; and 2) can reasonably be expected to contribute to federal universal service support mechanisms based on revenues from such offerings when provided to end users.

Each filer should have documented procedures to ensure that it reports as "revenues from resellers" only revenues from entities that reasonably would be expected to contribute to support universal service. The procedures should include, but not be limited to, maintaining the following information on resellers: Filer 499 ID; legal name; address; name of a contact person; and phone number of the contact person. The filer should verify that each reseller will: 1) resell the filer's services in the form of telecommunications [and not as information services]; and 2) contribute directly to the federal universal service support mechanisms. If the filer does not have independent reason to know that the reseller satisfies these criteria, it should obtain a signed statement certifying that these criteria are met. Current contributors to universal service are identified at http://gullfoss2.fcc.gov/cib/form499/499a.cfm.

Note: For the purposes of filling out this Worksheet -- and for calculating contributions to the universal service support mechanisms -- certain telecommunications carriers and other providers of telecommunications may be exempt from contribution to the universal service support mechanisms. These exempt entities, including "international only" and "intrastate only" carriers and carriers that meet the *de minimis* universal service threshold, should not be treated as resellers for the purpose of reporting revenues in Block 3. That is, filers that are underlying carriers should report revenues derived from the provision of telecommunications to exempt carriers and providers (including services provided to entities that are *de minimis* for universal service purposes) on lines (403-417) of Block 4 of the Telecommunications Reporting Worksheet, as appropriate. Underlying carriers must contribute to the universal service support mechanisms on the basis of such revenues. In Block 5, Line 511, however, filers may elect to report the amounts of such revenues (i.e., those revenues from exempt entities that are reported as end-user revenues) so that these revenues may be excluded for purposes of calculating contributions to TRS, LNPA, and NANPA.

2. Column (a) - total revenues

The reporting entity must report gross revenues from all sources, including nonregulated and non-telecommunications services on Lines (303) through (314) and Lines (403) through (418) and these must add to total gross revenues as reported on Line (419). Gross revenues should include revenues derived from the activation and provision of interstate, international, and intrastate telecommunications and non-telecommunications services. Gross revenues consist of total revenues billed to customers during the filing period with no allowances for uncollectibles, settlements, or out-of-period adjustments. Gross revenues should include collection overages and unclaimed refunds for telecommunications services when not subject to escheats. Gross billed revenues may be distinct from booked revenues. NECA pool companies should report the actual gross billed revenues (CABS Revenues) reported to the NECA pool and not settlement revenues received from the pool.

Where two contributors have merged prior to the filing date, the successor company should report total revenues for the reporting period for all predecessor operations. The two contributors, however, should continue to report separately if each maintains separate corporate identities and continues to operate.²⁰ Where an entity obtains,

²⁰ See also Section II-E, above.